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Ex Parte

Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 05-211, Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures
WT Docket No. 06-150, 700 MHz Service Rules
WT Docket No. 06-169, 700 MHz Guard Band Rules

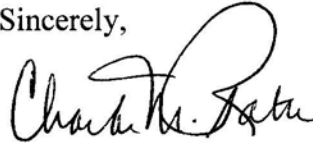
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 12, 2006, Don Brittingham and Charla Rath, both representing Verizon Wireless, met with Catherine Seidel, James Schlichting, Cathleen Massey, Linda Chang, Erik Salovaara and Paul Murray of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau to discuss the company's positions in the above-captioned proceedings. As outlined in our comments and reply comments, Verizon Wireless does not believe that changes to the FCC's 700 MHz rules, other than to extend the license term, are either necessary or appropriate. Moreover, any such changes could undermine the ability of the Commission to meet its obligation to auction the spectrum in accordance with timelines established by law.

Separately, Mr. Brittingham spoke via telephone with Tim Maguire and Paul Moon of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau regarding Verizon Wireless' position in the 700 MHz Guard Band proceeding. Mr. Brittingham noted Verizon Wireless' concern about making changes to the Guard Band rules that would increase the potential for interference to public safety and/or reduce the effective use of commercial spectrum in the band. In particular, it was noted that elimination of the Guard Bands, which are designed to protect public safety systems from potentially harmful commercial operations, would be premature absent assurances that the public safety spectrum will be used in a manner that is compatible with commercial systems.

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, an electronic copy of the letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced dockets. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charla M. Rath". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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cc: Catherine Seidel
James Schlichting
Cathleen Massey
Linda Chang
Paul Murray
Erik Salovaara
Tim Maguire
Paul Moon